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Southampton County Court

The Commonwealth of Virginia Robert Goodwyn
 Esq. and Mr. Tyler Justices of the Peace for the County of Southampton where as Prudence Halcome and Mary her wife have by their certain Indentures of bargain and sale dated the 8th of February 1806 conveyed unto Peter Palmer of the County of Southampton the fee simple estate of and in 129 acres of Land now known by that name where as the said Mary Halcome cannot conveniently travel to the County of said County to acknowledge the same Therefore we do give to your power to receive the Acknowledgment which the said Mary Halcome shall be willing to make before you of the Conveyance aforesaid contained in the said Indenture which is hereto annexed and make thereof Certificate and give to your power to the said Mary and examine her person by and apart from her husband; whether she hath executed the said Deed freely and voluntarily without the procurement or influence of her said husband; and whether she is willing the said Indenture should be recorded in the County Court of Southampton and when you have examined her as aforesaid and taken her acknowledgment of the said Indenture that you distinctly and openly certify in writing under your hands and seals returning to us also this writ with the said Indenture annexed Witness our hands and seals of our said Court at his Office the 25th day of January 1806 and in the 36th year of the Commonwealth

Southampton (Seal)

Samuel D. C.

Agreeable to the within Commission to us directed we have caused to come before us Mary Halcome who did privately and apart from her husband, freely and voluntarily relinquish her Right of Dower in the Land mentioned in the Deed hereto annexed before our hands and seals the 8th day of February 1806

Robert Goodwyn

E. M. Tyler